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Pamela Young

For the past 15 years, Pam Young has served as executive director of DANCECleveland, one of the oldest dance presenting organizations in the United States (founded in 1956). Under her leadership, the organization has commissioned new work with esteemed dance companies such as Camille A. Brown and Dancers, Malpas Dance Company and Urban Bush Women; added a Summer Dance Festival in partnership with the iconic American Dance Festival; and led the feasibility study and founding of the new National Center for Choreography at The University of Akron.

Prior to joining DANCECleveland, Young had over 20 years of experience working in the non-profit arts sector across a number of dance and arts organizations in a variety of functions from Acting Executive Director and Development Director. Prior to moving into the non-profit sector, Young enjoyed a career in architecture and design.

Young received her Bachelor of Science in Design from the University of Cincinnati and Certificate of Non-Profit Management from Case Western Reserve University-Mandel Center for Non-Profit Management. She was honored with the 2017 Ohio Dance Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Advancement of Dance Arts Administration, the 2014 Martha Joseph Cleveland Arts Prize for Distinguished Service to the Arts. She is married with two daughters, and claims that Cleveland Heights is the best place in the world to live.

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